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Status			
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 6	<u> 16 June 2005</u> .		
2a) This action is FINAL . 2b) ⊠	This action is non-final.		
3) Since this application is in condition for allo	owance except for formal matte	rs, prosecution as to the m	erits is
closed in accordance with the practice und	ler Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D.	11, 453 O.G. 213.	
Disposition of Claims			
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-17</u> is/are pending in the applica	tion.		
4a) Of the above claim(s) 12-17 is/are with			
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.			
6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-11</u> is/are rejected.			
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.		•	
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction ar	nd/or election requirement.		
Application Papers			
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Exar	niner		
10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)		v the Examiner	
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11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the	,	•	• •
	e Examiner. Note the attached	Office Action of Torrit 1 To-	102.
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119			
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for fore	eign priority under 35 U.S.C. §	119(a)-(d) or (f).	
a)[☐All b)[☐ Some * c)[☐ None of:	·		
1. Certified copies of the priority docum	nents have been received.		
2. Certified copies of the priority docum	nents have been received in Ap	plication No	
3. Copies of the certified copies of the	priority documents have been r	eceived in this National Sta	age
application from the International Bu	reau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).		
* See the attached detailed Office action for a	list of the certified copies not re	eceived.	•
Attachment(s)			
1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)		immary (PTO-413)	
 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SE 	3/08) 5) Notice of Inf	/Mail Date formal Patent Application (PTO-15	52)
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1.Applicant's election of claims 1-11 in the reply filed on 6-8-05 is acknowledged. Because applicant did not distinctly and specifically point out the supposed errors in the restriction requirement, the election has been treated as an election without traverse (MPEP § 818.03(a)).

- 2. Claims 1-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1-4 have periods in the middle of the claims.
- 3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- (e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1, 2, 5, 7 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Aoshima. Aoshima (see particularly col. 2, lines 24-31; col. 3, lines 19-23; col. 4, lines 30-47; col. 5, lines 15-32;

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col. 13, lines 4-43; col. 17, line 40-col. 18, line 21; col. 20, lines 38-55; ex. 2) disclose coating compositions comprising solvents, thermal acid generators, crosslinking agents, crosslinkable polymers, light absorbers and polymers with dimethylsiloxane units. The crosslinkable polymers include vinylphenols as set forth in instant claim 2 as a light absorber. If Aoshima do not anticipate the claims, then it would be obvious to one skilled in the art to use the disclosed preferred siloxane copolymers as the required silicone surfactants in Aoshima.

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- 4. Claims 4 and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aoshima as applied to claims 1, 2, 5, 7 and 8 above, and further in view of Foster et al. Aoshima does not disclose the specific thermal acid generator of claim 4. However, since Foster et al. (para. 22, 23) disclose cyclohexyl toluenesulfonate thermal acid generators for use with crosslinking agents for polyvinylphenol polymers as used in Aoshima, it would be obvious to one skilled in the art to use the thermal acid generators of Foster et al., and hydroxy substituted analogs thereof, as the thermal acid generators in Aoshima.
- 5. Claims 4 and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Aoshima in view of Jung.

The applied reference to Jung has a common inventor with the instant application. Based upon the earlier effective U.S. filing date of the reference, it constitutes prior art only under 35 U.S.C. 102(e). This rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) might be overcome by: (1) a showing under 37 CFR 1.132 that any invention disclosed but not claimed in the reference was derived from the inventor of this application and is

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thus not an invention "by another"; (2) a showing of a date of invention for the claimed subject matter of the application which corresponds to subject matter disclosed but not claimed in the reference, prior to the effective U.S. filing date of the reference under 37 CFR 1.131; or (3) an oath or declaration under 37 CFR 1.130 stating that the application and reference are currently owned by the same party and that the inventor named in the application is the prior inventor under 35 U.S.C. 104, together with a terminal disclaimer in accordance with 37 CFR 1.321(c). This rejection might also be overcome by showing that the reference is disqualified under 35 U.S.C. 103(c) as prior art in a rejection under

Since Jung (col. 4, lines 32-56) discloses using hydroxyhexyl toluenesulfonate thermal acid generators to thermally generate acid for crosslinkers for crosslinking hydroxyl polymers, it would be obvious to one skilled in the art to use the thermal acid generators or Jung as the required thermal acid generators in Aoshima which generate acid to activate crosslinkers for hydroxyl containing polymers, e.g. polyvinylphenols as also used in Jung.

35 U.S.C. 103(a). See MPEP § 706.02(l)(1) and § 706.02(l)(2).

- 6. The prior art cited by applicants has been considered. Ogata et al. is cited of interest as disclosing polysiloxanes with acid generators. Park et al. is cited of interest as disclosing toluenesulfonate thermal acid generators.
- 7.. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Richard L. Schilling at telephone number 571-272-1335.

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